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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Official Action dated January 28, 2004 be extended one (1) month to May 28, 2004.

The statutory fee for this extension (\$55.00) is included in the enclosed check for the amendment fee. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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